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**May 4, 2017**

**UCAB Quality of Life Committee  
Monday, May 8 7:00pm  
Kramer Upcounty Regional Services Center  
12900 Middlebrook Road, Germantown**

**Topic: Status of Task Force Recommendations on Procurement, and on Minority Businesses**

*All board and committee meetings are open to the public!*

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**The 3rd Annual Montgomery County GreenFest  
Saturday, May 6 11:00am – 4:00pm  
Bohrer Park at Summit Hall Farm  
506 South Frederick Avenue, Gaithersburg**

***A free event!***

Come and experience music, films, speakers, exhibitors and workshops all focused on building community and improving our environment. GreenFest has activities for all ages:

- Relax to local musicians (bring a blanket to lay on the lawn by the playground)
- Bring the kids to our new Kids Pavilion with games, arts and crafts and special guests
- Visit the Electric Vehicle and Car Show, or even take a test drive
- Explore the more than 100 exhibitors and vendors
- Participate in a workshop or a local food demonstration
- Grab a bite to eat at a food truck
- And much more!

For the latest info and updates on the schedule, visit [montgomerycountygreenfest.org](http://montgomerycountygreenfest.org). Add GreenFest to your calendar: [bit.ly/GreenFest2017](http://bit.ly/GreenFest2017)

The Montgomery County GreenFest is brought to you by the Montgomery County Government, Montgomery Parks, the City of Gaithersburg, WSSC, GreenWheaton, Poolesville Green, Silver Spring Green, Bethesda Green, the City of Takoma Park, the City of Rockville, the University of Maryland Extension, and MCPS Outdoor Environmental Education.

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**Move More Montgomery Festival**  
**Saturday, May 6 12:00n-4:00pm**  
**Bauer Drive Community Recreation Center**  
**14625 Bauer Drive, Rockville**



The Montgomery County Department of Recreation will host the **2nd Annual Move More Montgomery Festival** in order to encourage residents to get up and get moving which will lead to better health and wellness. The Department of Recreation is committed to healthy living through healthy eating and physical activity. This ambitious and comprehensive new program endeavors to inform and enhance the health and wellness of residents. **The event is free and open to the public! You can even bring your dog!**

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**Montgomery Council to Interview 4 Candidates for Montgomery County Planning Board**

*Interviews will be open to the public and broadcast live on County Cable Montgomery*

**Thursday, May 11 9:30am**  
**Council Office Building, Third Floor Conference Room**  
**100 Maryland Avenue, Rockville**

The Montgomery County Council has selected four applicants to interview to fill a vacancy on the Montgomery County Planning Board. The second term of Ms. Marye Wells-Harley (Democrat) will expire on June 14 and she is not eligible for reappointment.

The applicants selected for interviews are Peter Myo Khin of Silver Spring, Tina Patterson of Germantown, Dan Reed of Silver Spring and Bruce Romer of Bethesda.

The interviews will be conducted consecutively starting at 9:30am and will be televised live by County Cable Montgomery (CCM). The channel can be viewed on Cable Channels 996 (high definition) and 6 (standard definition) on Comcast; Channels 1056 (HD) and 6 (SD) on RCN; and Channel 30 on Verizon. The interviews also will be available live via streaming through the Council web site at <http://tinyurl.com/z9982v8>.

In addition to Ms. Wells-Harley (D), current board members are Chair Casey Anderson (D), Norman Dreyfuss (R), Gerald Cichy (R) and Natali Fani-Gonzalez (D). Annual compensation for Board members is currently \$30,000, and the chair currently earns \$201,500. Members serve four-year terms and are limited to two full terms. No more than three members of the Planning Board may be from the same political party, and each member must be a resident and registered voter of Montgomery County when appointed. This position may be filled by a Democrat, Republican, a voter who declines to affiliate with a party, or a member of another party officially recognized by the Montgomery County Board of Elections.

The Planning Board serves as the Council's principal adviser on land use planning and community planning. Planning Board members also serve as commissioners of the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission. The Planning Board's responsibilities with regard to planning include preparation and amendment of the County General Plan; preparation and amendment of master plans and functional plans; formulation of subdivision regulations; preparation of or recommendations on text amendments to the County Zoning Code; implementation of the subdivision process by reviewing and approving all preliminary plans, site plans and other plans for development; advice on the planning implications of capital facilities and programs of the County government, Montgomery College, the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission and Montgomery County Public Schools; commenting, under its mandatory referral authority, on plans for public facilities of local, state and federal agencies; and approval of the work program and the annual operating budget for the Planning Department and the Commission's bi-county offices.

The Planning Board also sits as the Park Commission and approves the annual Parks Department operating budget and Capital Improvements Program (CIP); land acquisition contracts and major development contracts for parks; development plans for individual park facilities; policies for park operations; and park user fees.

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## **Poolesville Library Renamed to Honor Maggie Nightingale**

The Montgomery County Public Libraries' Poolesville Library was renamed the Maggie Nightingale Library on April 29. The library was renamed to honor the dedication and hard work of Margaret (Maggie) Rebecca Nightingale who served as a long-time devoted volunteer and advocate for the Poolesville Library.

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## **Planning Board Discussion of Airbnb Rules; Zoning Text Amendment 16-03**

**Thursday, May 11**

**Montgomery County Planning Board, Auditorium  
8787 Georgia Avenue, Silver Spring**

The Montgomery County Planning Board postponed a discussion about new rules for Airbnb-style rentals in the area. The [proposed regulations](#) would establish a new accessory residential use titled, "Short Term Residential Rental" as a limited use in all zones that allow residential uses, and it would let county property owners accept guests for up to 90 days per year. The proposal would also require hosts to secure special licenses from the county and would limit occupancy to six adult guests each night.

After the board reviews the proposed zoning text amendment on short-term rentals, the drafted guidelines will be sent to the County Council for acceptance. The Planning Board was initially scheduled to review the measure May 4. This proposal would modify Zoning Text Amendment 16-03 that was introduced in February 2016.

**During the meeting, community members will be able to give testimony on the issue.**

Visit <http://montgomeryplanningboard.org/agenda-item/may-11-2017> to see the agenda and approximate time of this discussion.

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## **Public Hearing: Ten-Year Water and Sewer Plan, 2017-2026**

**Tuesday, May 16 7:30pm**

**Council Office Building  
100 Maryland Avenue, Rockville**

Every three years the County prepares an update of the Ten-Year Comprehensive Water Supply and Sewerage Systems Plan. The County Executive's recommended draft of the 2017-2026 update is currently under consideration by the County Council. The update under consideration is a comprehensive redraft of the Plan, addressing water supply and sewage disposal issues and policies for the County.

Planning Department staff reviewed an earlier inter-agency draft of the plan last fall, and have some additional edits and recommendations for the Planning Board to consider for transmittal to the County Council as part of the public hearing testimony.

See the staff report at [http://www.montgomeryplanningboard.org/agenda/2017/documents/item5\\_Ten-YearWaterandSewerPlanStaffPBMemo5-11-17Draft5-3-17\\_pd\\_ms.pdf](http://www.montgomeryplanningboard.org/agenda/2017/documents/item5_Ten-YearWaterandSewerPlanStaffPBMemo5-11-17Draft5-3-17_pd_ms.pdf)

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**2017 Bike to Work Day**  
**Friday, May 19, 2017**

***Rain or shine!***



If this is your first Bike to Work Day, you can find some helpful introductory information about the event [here](#). When registering, you must select a pit stop to be eligible to pick up your FREE t-shirt. Free t-shirts will be available for the first 16,000 registrants at the pit stop they register for below. If you do not go to your pit stop on Bike to Work Day, you will not be able to get your free t-shirt.

Please make sure you choose the correct pit stop when registering. [A full list of pit stops and a map can be found here](#). Each pit stop will offer food, drinks and a chance to win cool prizes while some will also offer entertainment, fun activities and dynamic speakers. Please note that all pit stops have different start and end times, and a few are afternoon events.

For more information about Bike to Work Day visit [www.biketoworkmetrodc.org](http://www.biketoworkmetrodc.org). For more information about bicycling, bike advocacy, and upcoming bike events, please visit [www.waba.org](http://www.waba.org).

**[register for Bike To Work Day!](#)**

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**Community Meeting on School Boundary Options to Serve Shady Grove Sector Plan Area**

**Wednesday, May 24 7:00pm-9:00pm**

**Café 45**

**45 West Gude Drive, Rockville**

There will be a community-wide meeting during which boundary options will be presented and public feedback sought. Visit [this web site](#) of Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) or <http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/departments/planning/shadygrove.aspx> regularly for updates on the MCPS Shady Grove Boundary Study process.

Questions? Contact Joel Gallihue, Senior Planner at the MCPS Division of Long-Range Planning, at 240-314-4702 or via email at [Joel\\_A\\_Gallihue@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Joel_A_Gallihue@mcpsmd.org).

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**Clarification:**

In last week's issue, an article titled "Update on Snowden Farm Parkway Extended (Midcounty Highway or M-83)" provided an update on the planned road project that has been historically known as "Midcounty Highway Extended" or "M-83." It was referred to as being an extension of Snowden Farm Parkway because the alignment would actually be that extension once the road was completed. Please note that there have not been any changes to the project and the name of the road has not been changed in official documents. --- Catherine Matthews, Director, Upcounty Regional Office

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**Planning Board** [http://www.montgomeryplanning.org/departments/news\\_releases](http://www.montgomeryplanning.org/departments/news_releases)

**Also check out the latest from:**

Department of Public Libraries <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/library>

Department of Recreation <http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/rectmpl.asp?url=/content/rec/index.asp>

Department of Transportation <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/dot/index.html>

Department of Environmental Protection <http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/deatmpl.asp?url=/content/dep/dephome/index.asp>

Department of Permitting Services <http://permitting.montgomerycountymd.gov/DPS/general/Home.aspx>

Montgomery County Volunteer Center <http://www.montgomeryserves.org>

Office of Community Partnerships <http://archive.constantcontact.com/fs100/1102184431012/archive/1117215431562.html>

Commission for Women <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/cfw/index.html>

Parks Department <http://www.montgomeryparks.org/>

Planning Department <http://montgomeryplanning.org/>